

**17—8.4(231) Monetary civil penalties—basis.** The director, in consultation with the state long-term care resident's advocate/ombudsman, may impose a monetary civil penalty of not more than \$1,500 on an officer, owner, director, or employee of a long-term care facility, assisted living program, or elder group home who intentionally prevents, interferes with, or attempts to impede the duties of the state or a local long-term care resident's advocate/ombudsman. If the director imposes a penalty for a violation under this rule, no other state agency shall impose a penalty for the same interference violation.

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